## In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 24 as follows:

Figures 1 and 2 illustrate diagrammatically a heat exchanger block 1 with headers 6, 7. The heat exchanger block 1 has a multiplicity of heat exchange passages which are not shown in the figures for the sake of clarity. The inlet and outlet orifices of a group of heat exchange passages are located in the region 2 on a side wall 3 of the heat exchanger block 1 and in the region 4 on the underside 5 of the heat exchanger block 1 respectively. Headers 6, 7 are welded onto the regions 2, 4 3 having the inlet and outlet orifices.

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 28 as follows:

The two heat exchanger blocks 1a, 1b are then welded together at their lower end by means of a sheet 16. The U-shaped sheet 16 is fastened to the heat exchanger blocks 1a, 1b in such a way that the base of the U-shaped sheet 16 connects the undersides 5a, 5b of the two blocks 1a, 1b in such a way as to produce a continuous plane. In the region of the headers 6a, 6b, the two heat exchanger blocks 1a, 1b are likewise connected to a U-shaped sheet 27, the base of which is located in the drawing plane and extends from the upper edge 21a, 21b of the heat exchanger blocks 1a, 1b as far as the lower edge 22a, 22b of the headers 6a, 6b, at which edge the semicylindrical header casing meets the heat exchanger block 1a, 1b.

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